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Indian Point Closure Task Force to Meet

— Task Force Will Work with Local Governments to Address Employment and Property Tax Impacts; Monitor Compliance with Closure Agreement —

ALBANY — The New York State Department of Public Service (Department) today announced the first meeting of the Indian Point Closure Task Force will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at the Cortlandt Town Hall, Cortlandt, New York at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the initial task force meeting will be to discuss the scope and goals of the Task Force, and will include presentations on key issues related to the planned closure of Indian Point.

On Feb. 28, 2017, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced the creation of a task force to provide guidance and support to the communities, taxing jurisdictions, and employees affected by the planned closure of Indian Point. The Task Force was charged with developing recommendations to mitigate local tax and workforce impacts, evaluating and identifying new economic opportunities and work force retraining programs and opportunities, advocating for appropriate decommissioning timelines in the best interests of local communities, and ultimately positioning the region for a prosperous and sustainable future. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

The State has extensively and proactively planned for the eventual closure of Indian Point by making sure more than enough replacement power is available to ensure reliability, mitigate electricity price impacts and achieve environmental objectives. Already, 730 megawatts of transmission improvements and energy efficiency are in-service via the Commission's Indian Point Contingency Plan, and more generation resources are slated to come online in the near future.

The meeting will be held as follows:

Wednesday, May 31, 2017
Cortlandt Town Hall
1 Heady St.,
Cortlandt, NY 10567
7:00 PM

Task Force Members include:

<u>State Representatives:</u> Senator Terrence Murphy; Assemblywoman Sandy Galef; and several state agencies, including the Office of the Governor; Education Representatives; Department of Public Service; Department of Environmental Conservation; Department of Labor; Department of Tax and Finance; Empire State Development; New York State Energy Research & Development Authority; Department of State; New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services; and the New York Power Authority.

<u>Local Representatives:</u> Catherine Borgia, Majority Leader, Westchester County Board of Legislators; John G. Testa, Minority Leader, Westchester County Board of Legislators; Linda D. Puglisi, Supervisor, Town of Cortlandt; Joseph Hochreiter, Superintendent, Hendrick Hudson School District; and Theresa Knickerbocker, Mayor, Village of Buchanan.

<u>Labor Representatives:</u> Teamsters Local 456; Utility Workers Union of America Local 1-2; and Westchester Putnam Central Labor Council.

Any related documents filed in the above matter may be obtained by going to the Department's website at www.dps.ny.gov and entering matter number 17-00994 in the input box labeled "Search for Case/Matter Number". Many libraries offer free Internet access. Documents may also be obtained from the Department's Files Office, 14th floor, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223 (518-474-2500). If you have difficulty understanding English, please call us at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this press release.